THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) and (b) In terms of Rues 5(1) of Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, no Government servant shall be a member of, or be otherwise associated with, any political party or any organisation which takes part in politics, nor shall he take part in, subscribe in aid of, or assist in any other manner, any political movement or activity. Further in terms of Rules 5(3) of the same Rules, if any question arises whether a party is a political party or whether any organisation takes part in politics, the decision of the Government thereon shall be final. Orders were issued on 30th November, 1966 clarifying *inter alia* that the activities of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh were considered such as to attract the *provisions of the said Rules*.

(c) Any Government servant who violates the above Rules is liable to disciplinary action.

Directive to States to treat Lectures Selection Grade as Promotional Post

2343 PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 869 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th March, 1990 and state:

(a) whether Government propose to issue a directive to the States to the effect that Lecturer Selection Grade is a promotional post:

(b) whether certain State Governments are making placement in the post of Lecturer Selection Grade, reserving promotion for the post of Reader; and

(c) whether Government would take urgent steps to remedy this ignomity to senior teachers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) and (b) No Sir. The Scheme of Revision of Pay Scales announced on 22-7-1988 provides that Lecturers who complete 8 years in the senior scale, as well as existing Lecturers having a total service of 16 years or more will be eligible for promotion/placement to the post of Reader/Lecturer Selection Grade respectively. Only those who, *inter-alia* have Ph. D. degree are eligible for promotion as Reader. Those who do not possess Ph.D. degree but otherwise fulfil the prescribed requirements are to be designated as Lecturer Selection Grade. They could offer themselves for a fresh assessment after obtaining Ph. D. and if found suitable would be given the designation of Reader.

(c) Does not arise.

Abolition of Ragging in Colleges and Universities

2344. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: *Will the PRIME MINISTER* be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to abolish ragging in colleges and universities, especially in professional colleges;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) to (c): Government is aware of the practice of "ragging" indulged in by students in colleges and universities. Whereas this practice is reprehensible, it is for the universities and college authorities and the students themselves to ensure that 'ragging' does not take place.

2345. [*Transferred to the 6th September*, 1990.]

Deletion of Article 311(2)(c) from the Constitution

2346. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to move an amendment to delete Article 311(2)(c) from the Constitution to allow

more democratic rights to Government employees; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The provisions of Article 311(2)(c) of the Constitution are there to deal with exceptional circumstances where inquiry is not expedient in the interest of national security. The Supreme Court has also held that these provisions are in the public interest and are for public good.

स्वीडन के समाचार-पत्र डेगियस नाइटर में बोफोर्स सौदे में दलाली प्राप्त करने के संबंध में प्रकाशित समाचार

2247 **श्री अनंत राम जायसवाल :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 31 जनवरी, 1990 के स्वीडन के समाचार पत्र "डेगियस नाइटर" में प्रकाशित एक समाचार के आधार पर कि बोफोर्स घोटाले (सौदे) में दलाली प्राप्त करने वाले स्विस बैंक में छठे खाते के पीछे श्री अजिताभ बच्चन ने ब्रिटिश उच्च न्यायालय में समाचार-पत्र के विरुद्ध मानहानि का एक मुकदमा दायर किया था जिस पर 20 जुलाई, 1990 या उसके आस-पास न्यायालय ने श्री अजिताभ बच्चन के पक्ष में निर्णय की घोषणा की थी ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो न्यायालय के निष्कर्ष क्या थे और उनका आधार क्या था ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि वादी ने अपने वाद के समर्थन में ब्रिटेन के एक प्रमुख आसूचना एजेंसी की एक रिपोर्ट भी प्रस्तुत की थी जिसमें यह कहा गया है कि छठे खाते से संबंधित सारी कहानी मनगढंत है, यदि हां, तो इस निर्णय पर पहुंचने के लिये उक्त एजेंसी ने क्या-क्या तर्काधार दिये हैं ; और

(घ) इस निर्णय के संबंध में भारत सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है और क्या सरकार ने उस व्यक्ति या व्यक्तियों की पहचान कर ली है जिन्होंने उक्त समाचार-पत्र से मनगढंत समाचार प्रकाशित कराया था, यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार द्वारा इनके विरुद्ध कोई कार्यवाही की गई थी, यदि हां, तो क्या और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (डा० राजा रमन्ना) : (क) से (ग) इस मामले के संबंध में रक्षा मंत्रालय के पास कोई सूचना नहीं है ।

(घ) केन्द्रीय जांच ब्यूरो के अनुसार "डेजेंस नाइटर' में 31-1-1990 को प्रकाशित समाचार के साथ भारत सरकार के ऐसे किसी भी अधिकारी का कोई सरोकार नहीं है जो किसी भी स्तर पर जांच से संबंधित रहा हो ।

Opening of CBI Office in Goa

2348. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any proposal under Government's consideration to start an office of C.B.I. in Goa; and

(b) if so, at what stage the matter is pending at present?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal has been kept in abeyance, as the workload of the Bombay branch has been reduced by the creation of a new branch at Nagpur and consequently, Bombay branch is now in a position to handle cases emanating from Goa.

Cadre Review of Central Secretariat Service

2349. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have not taken up the cadre review